

Observatory, Glasgow, Sep 2

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Dearest Mr Chapman,

Mr Pillsbury before going to Glasgow  
this morning put the accompanying  
note into my hands to read & add to.  
I hope you will answer his query, for it is im-  
probable for me or for any one here to tell him  
how far he ought to ensidify his plans in  
order to be on the spot to counteract Miss  
Julia's mischief making. We wish of course  
to keep him; the Cause <sup>here</sup> never was so desti-  
tute of watchers or so much in need of  
them; you know something of its de-  
pendence on my dear Father & such help  
as I could give in conjunction with him  
before in time past; know the very phase  
of New Organization which he spent his  
last efforts in preparing to meet seems  
likely to swallow up for a season the  
fruits of many toilsome labors on his  
part & those of the faithful few who in  
their scattered localities have tried to

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Keep alive the true A.S. fire. R. Carpenter &  
his wife have been indefatigable in trying  
to establish Rochester Bazaar machinery  
over the country, the Nurses of Glasgow  
thrive, <sup>they</sup> publish & circulate extensively  
F.D.'s most insidious Anti American  
Soc<sup>y</sup> lectures; Miss Griffiths is at work  
thrusting F.D. & herself on true <sup>as well as</sup> & super-  
ficial Abolitionists; Mr G. Thompson re-  
takes up her mission & eulogizes F.D.'s  
new work. Broad St. lends the pages of  
the "Reporter", a Mr Willis of Toronto  
helps Miss G. by letters of introduction  
Mr W. Webb of Dublin and all her big  
adherents are busy propping up F.D. &  
undermining the faithful. To this there  
is nothing to oppose, except the quiet  
testimony to the truth which Mr P. can  
give to individuals with whom he  
converses. Mr W. H. Channing is so  
very much afraid of compromising  
himself, & yet so anxious of maintaining  
& good A.S. reputation here that he

It is worse than an open foe in some respects. I long to have you to speak with, for I can't write fully, but you will be able to judge whether it is best to bend our heads to the storm & let Miss G. sweep over the field, paving the way for F. D.'s triumphal reception next year if he follows the sale of his book by a visit to G<sup>o</sup>. Britain, or if not what form of counteraction could be devised.

You know how I am circumstanced with my heart ~~are~~ warmer than ever in the cause especially in this branch of it from its being my dear Father's dying legacy to me, & yet a still closer tie to him will keep my hands & thoughts from the needful devotion to A. S. work this winter. I must live amongst his manuscripts & try to make out of them some transcript of his life for the sake of others. Hitherto dear Mr Pillsbury has been

able to make our abode his English  
home, & to take counsel with us, & receive  
our co-operation. That is at an end,  
unless his family were here you can  
comprehend how impossible it would  
be without bringing scandal on the  
Cause for me to ~~write~~ combine with  
him even such efforts as I might still  
have time to put forth.

Post-time obliges me to stop.

Love affec<sup>ly</sup> yours

Henry Estlin.

Do give Mr P. some help.